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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS POLICE SEMINAR

REF: (A) BRASILIA 5930 (B) BRASILIA 8186

1. DEPARTMENT AGREES IN PRINCIPLE WITH PROPOSAL THAT USG
SUPPORT NARCOTICS SEMINAR IN BRASILIA ALONG LINES PARAGRAPH
6 OF REFTEL (A) AND AS DISCUSSED AT MEXICO CITY NARCOTICS
COORDINATORS CONFERENCE.

2. WE BELIEVE SUCH A CONFERENCE COULD PROBABLY HAVE GREAT-
EST CHANCE OF SUCCESS AND IMPACT IF US PARTICIPATION IS
LIMITED TO PARTIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT CHanneled THROUGH THE
GOB AND POSSIBLY PROVISION OF TRAINING MATERIALS AND USG
PARTICIPANTS FOR SEMINAR IF BRAZILIANS WANT THEM. THE GOB
SHOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS, SELECT THE LATIN AMERICAN PARTICI-
PANTS AND EXTEND THE INVITATIONS.

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3. BEFORE MAKING FINAL DECISION ON THIS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE MORE DETAILS ON AGENDA, HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE TO BE INVITED, FROM WHERE, AND HOW LONG THE SEMINAR MIGHT RUN. PRELIMINARY FIGURING SUGGESTS THAT \$40,000 IS TOO HIGH, THAT USG CONTRIBUTION SHOULD PROBABLY BE MUCH LESS.(THE US CONTRIBUTED \$6,000 TO THE PREVIOUS SEMINAR IN BOGOTA FOR TRAVEL AND PER DIEM OF INVITED PARTICIPANTS.)

4. IF GOB STILL INTERESTED IN SPONSORING SEMINAR, AND IF

WE AGREE TO SUPPORT IT FINANCIALLY, WE WOULD ANTICIPATE INFORMING OUR EMBASSIES IN ALL THE COUNTRIES TO WHICH THE GOB MIGHT EXTEND INVITATIONS SO THAT THE EMBASSIES CAN AS THEY DEEM APPROPRIATE QUIETLY ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION BY HOST COUNTRY POLICE OFFICIALS AND INFLUENCE THE SELECTION PROCESS. INGERSOLL

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